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RUFLBBA/CINCUSAFE RAMSTEIN AB GER
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SECRET NOFORN 1484 OCT 73.

SUBJ: IDF MOBILIZATION (U)

REF FLASH MSG, DTG 060900Z 1483 (USUN 15228)

1. (SNFD) BRIEFING REPORTED IN REF GIVEN TO DATT AND POL OFF JESSUP. ZEIRA REPEATED INFO ON EGY AND SYR BUILDUP MOST OF WHICH HAS BEEN REPORTED EARLIER. HE MADE POINT THAT YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, IDF INTELL UNSURE WHETHER ENEMY DISPOSITIONS WERE OF OFFENSIVE OR DEFENSIVE NATURE. BY THIS MORNING, HOWEVER, IDF CONVINCED THAT ENEMY DISPOSITION MORE PRONE TO OFFENSIVE THAN DEFENSE.

2. (SNFD) SPECIFICS CITED TO SUPPORT THIS ASSESSMENT INCLUDED
A. HVY SYR ARTY MOVED FWD TO WITHIN 4 - 5 MILES FROM FRON LINE.

B. 2SQDNS OF SU-7S AND SOME SU-20S HAVE BEEN DEPLOYED TO BASES CLOSER TO FRONT LINES THAN THEIR HOME BASES.

C. SYR HAS MOVED UP SOME 230 MM MORTARS.

D. EGY ARTY ON CANAL INCRESSED FROM 800 TO 1100 GUNS.

E. EGY TANKS MASSING ON CANAL.

F. EGY MOVED SOME SA-6'S TO CANAL NR PREPARED

CROSSING SITES.

3. (SNFD) ZEIRA CLAIMED THAT 12 MORE SOVIET A/C FLEW TO MIDEAST LAST NIGHT (6 TO CAIRO AND 6 TO DAMASCUS). THAT MAKES TOTAL OF AT LEAST 20 INCLUD AT LEAST TWO AN-22S.

ZEIRA CLAIMS TO HAVE HARD INFO THAT A/C EVACUATING SOV DEPENDENTS FROM SYRIA AND FEELS CERTAIN SAME IS TRUE IN EGYPT. HE FEELS THAT AT LEAST SOME SOV ADVISORS ALSO BEING EVACUATED. SOV SHIPS ARE ALSO BEING EVACUATED FROM EGYPTIAN HARBORS. ZEIRA EXPECTS SOME OF THEM TO CALL AT LATAKIA THIS PM TO EVACUATE MORE SOVS.

4. (SNFD) MOST IMPORTANT FACTOR INFLUENCING DECISION TO MOBILIZE WAS INFO WHICH ZEIRA STRESSED WAS FROM GOOD SOURCES THAT SYR AND EGY PLANNING COORD ATTACK ACROSS CANAL AND GOLAN HTS BEFORE NIGHTFALL TONIGHT, 6 OCT 73. ATTACK PLANS TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF YOMKIPPUR TO ACHIEVE SURPRISE AND OF DARKNESS TO MINIMIZE EFFECTIVENESS OF IA. ZEIRA STRESSED THAT PLAN WAS FIRM. IDF HOPES THAT ENEMIES WILL NOTE MOBILIZATION (CLAIMED BY ZEIRA TO BE PARTIAL) AND HAVING LOST ELEMENT OF SURPRISE WILL CALL OFF ATTACK.

5. (SNFD) ZEIRA CLAIMED THAT SOV EVAC OBVIOUSLY A SOV INITIATIVE AND NOT EXPULSION. HE FEELS THAT SOV MADE DECISION WHEN THEY WERE CONVINCED THAT THEY COULDN'T TALK EGY AND SYR OUT OF SUICIDAL ATTACK PLAN. ZEIRA SEES 3 REASONS WHY SOVS EVACUATING:

A. DON'T WANT ANY PART OF A LOSING WAR.

B. CONCERN FOR SAFETY OF PERSONNEL WHEN IDF COUNTER-ATTACKS.

C. POSSIBLE FEAR THAT SYR AND EGY, AFTER LOSING WAR MIGHT IN FRUSTRATION TURN ON SOV ADVISORS AND DEPENDENTS.

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6. (SNFD) SIGNS OF MOBILIZATION ARE EVERYWHERE.

NO TRAFFIC IS SUPPOSED TO MOVE ON YOMKIPPUR, BUT THERE IS MUCH TRAFFIC ON THE ROADS. MIL VEHICLES HEADING NORTH AT GREAT SPEED, UNIFORMED SOLDIERS IN PRIVATE AUTOS DRIVING TO DUTY POSTS. EMPTY COMMERCIAL BUSES SPEEDING TO MOBILIZATION POINTS. THAT MOBILIZATION CAN BE EFFECTED AT ALL ON YOM KIPPUR ATTESTS TO EFFICIENCY OF ISR SYSTEM SINCE RADIO AND TV IS OFF THE AIR. RECALL IS BY TELEPHONE AND DOOR TO DOOR NOTIFICATION. IDF ALSO WENT TO ALL SYNAGOGUES (PACKED ON YOM KIPPUR) AND PASSED MESSAGE TO LAY MEMBER DESIGNATED TO LEAD CONGREGATION IN PRAYER. HE THEN INCLUDES MOBILIZATION MESSAGE IN HIS PRAYER.

7. (SNFD) INFO RCVD FROM UK EMBOFF ON LEAVE AT SHARM-EL-SHEIK THAT SHARM HAD AIR RAID ALERT LAST NIGHT AND ALL TOURISTS HAVE BEEN TOLD TO CLEAR OUT OF SHARM BY 1000Z TODAY. ADDITIONAL INFO WILL BE PASSED AS RCVD. COORD WITH AMDAM

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EO 11652: N/A
TAGS: MOPS EG IS
SUBJECT: SITREP 4

MILITARY COMMUNIQUE NO. 6 ON CAIRO RADIO AT 1705 REPORTED
AS FOLLOWS: "AS A RESULT OF THE SUCCESS OF OUR FORCES IN
CROSSING THE SUEZ CANAL, THE ENEMY SENT LARGE NUMBERS OF
HIS AIR FORCE WHICH ENGAGED IN FEROCIOUS BATTLES WITH OUR
FORCES. ELEVEN ENEMY PLANES WERE DOWNED AND WE LOST TEN
PLANES IN THE FIGHT."

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C O N F I D E N T I A L CAIRO 2963

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RECD NY: 10-6-73 9:25 AM

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EO 11652: GDS

TAGS: MOPS EG IS

SUBJECT: SITREP 2

1. 2:30 BROADCAST OF CAIRO RADIO HAS ANNOUNCED IN
FORM OF MILITARY COMMUNIQUE THAT ISRAELI FORCES
ATTACKED ZA'FARANA AND SUKHNA AT 1330 LOCAL. COMMUNIQUE
ENDED WITH STATEMENT THAT SADAT HAS MOVED TO
MILITARY HEADQUARTERS TO BE IN PERMANENT CONTACT
WITH SITUATION.

2. AS OF 1.30 LOCAL TIME PATTERN OF PASSENGER AND
VEHICLE TRAFFIC WAS NORMAL AND NO CHANGE IN STATUS HAD
OCCURRED TO BRIDGE GUARDS.

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